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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINT, CY

SUBJ: CYPRIOT POLICE PLACED ON COMPULSORY LEAVE

1. GOC ANNOUNCED APRIL 22 THAT 77 MEMBERS OF POLICE FORCE (19 OFFICERS, 21 SERGEANTS, 37 POLICEMEN) HAVE BEEN PLACED ON COMPULSORY LEAVE, JOINING 38 OTHER MEMBERS OF FORCE WHO WERE PLACED ON COMPULSORY LEAVE IN MARCH FOLLOWING ARREST OF NICOS SAMPSON. EMBASSY HAS RELIABLY LEARNED THAT ALTHOUGH SOME OF 77 HAVE CRIMINAL CONNECTIONS OR ARE OTHERWISE UNDESIRABLE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT WORK, MAJORITY ARE SUPPORTERS OF SAMPSON AND ASSOCIATED WITH JULY 1974 COUP OR EOKA-B ACTIVITIES.

2. COMMENT: DESPITE INCLUSION OF OTHER UNDESIRABLES AMONG TWO GROUPS ON COMPULSORY LEAVE, MAIN TARGET IS CLEARLY RIGHT-WING SAMPSON SUPPORTERS AND MAY INDICATE MAKARIOS HAS  
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DECIDED SQUEEZE EOKA-B DESPITE ASSURANCES GIVEN WHEN

SAMPSON WAS ARRESTED THAT GOC DID NOT INTEND TO INSTITUTE  
PURGE. WE CANNOT HELP BUT SEE HERE AN ATTEMPT  
ON MAKARIOS' PART, AT A TIME WHEN ELECTIONS MAY BE IN THE  
OFFING, TO BUILD UP MORE POLITICAL CREDITS WITH LEFT, WHICH  
HAS REPEATEDLY CALLED FOR A PURGE OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES  
INVOLVED IN COUP.  
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